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SUMMARY

In early December 1967, a Caucasian was seen walking with several VC in KY THO Villags, TIEN BAN District, QUANG NAM Province. It was later learned from the VC that the Caucasian was a captured American who had chosen to stay with the VC when offered his release. The American spoke Vietnamese and told the NVA troops in the village that he was from California and had no intention of returning to the U.S. after the war.

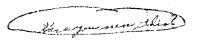
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1. In early December 1967, a Caucasian was seen walking with several members of a VC force in KY THO Village, DIEN HAN District, QUANG NAM Province, SVN. The VC and the Caucasian were all wearing black pajamas and were carrying bags of rice.

- 2. North Vietnamese troops in KY THO talked to the members of the VC and were told that the Caucasian was a captured U.S. soldier who had chosen to stay with the VC when offered his release. Many villagers had gathered around members of the NVA went over and conversed with the American. He told the NVA that he was from California, and did not intend to return to the U.S. Vietnamese wife for the American, and that he was planning to live in the American around because he could carry twice as much rice as a American traveled about often in DIEN BAN, DAI LOC and DUY XUYEN Districts in QUANG NAM Province. He was called "NAM" by the VC and the local people.
- 3. The American was of average build, weighed about 90 kilos, was about 1.80 light complected and wore a gold watch.

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